

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE
FULL BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
10 JUNE 2009
Open Session
Minutes

Board Members in Attendance:

David R. Gifford, MD, MPH, Chair

Patrick Barry, Esq.

Thomas Breslin, MD

Joan Crawley

Charles Cronin, DO

Robert Dinwoodie, DO

Richard P. Iacobucci, MD

Noubar Kessimian MD

Shelagh McGowan

Board Members Absent:

Norm Chapman

Mary Reich Cooper, MD

Margaret Coughlin

Staff Members in Attendance:

Robert S. Crausman, MD, Chief Administrative Officer

Bruce W. McIntyre, Board General Counsel

Linda Julian, Board Investigator

Mary Salerno, Administrative Officer

Alexandra Binek, Legal Intern

Eric Greenberg, Legal Intern

1. A quorum was established at 8:30 AM.

2. On a motion by Dr. Dinwoodie seconded by Ms. McGowan it was voted to approve the minutes of the 4 June 2009 Licensing Committee meeting. With all in favor the motion passed with the following discussion:

Discussion: Dr. Muhammad Ghori, MD inquires as to eligibility to apply for RI licensure. Dr. Ghori has failed the USMLE II and III five (5) times, which is greater than the current acceptable three (3) attempts.

Additional information is required regarding these failed attempts prior to the Board's decision, e.g., is candidate Board Certified?

Dr. Cronin raised the question of the Board's ability to require that all applicants produce proof of 40 Continuing Medication Education Credits (CMEs) for the 2 years prior to application. Currently, for candidates with multiple malpractice awards, the Licensing Committee may require detailed information regarding each award. The Committee may deny a license if the case is egregious enough.

Dr. Cronin also questioned the extent of the Board's ability to require

proof of competency for applicants who have been out of practice for an extended period of time. It was agreed upon that CMEs are not a valid proof of competency.

Although the Licensing Committee of the Board may set specific requirements as a condition of licensure, Mr. McIntyre will research the Statue for recommendations for possible requirements through regulation. Drs. Cronin and Kessimian also volunteered to serve on a Committee to research the issue of requirements as a condition of licensure.

Committee members present were:

Charles Cronin DO

Margaret Coughlin

Committee members absent:

Noubar Kessimian MD

Staff members present were:

None

Appearances:

None

Kyle Nielson MD – Dr Nielson appeared before the Committee as scheduled. After discussion with Dr Nielson, they approve her for

licensure.

Muhammad Ghori MD - The Committee reviewed Dr Muhammad Ghori's information for eligibility for licensure. He failed USMLE II and III fives (5) times.

The Licensing Committee reviewed the application materials of the candidates listed below and directed the Director to issue licenses to practice Allopathic-Osteopathic Medicine pending approval of the Full Board on June 10, 2009 and receipt of the license form and fee.

Name

Marc Adams MD

Nicole Alexander MD

Lynne Birkmeyer MD

Philip Chan MD

Rachel Clingenpeel MD

Michael Connolly MD

Tomas Dvorak MD

Robert Hannon MD

Deloar Hossain MD

Moune Jabre Raughley MD

Patricia Jimenez Mendez MD

Zhong Yang Belinda Ker MD

Joseph Lauro MD

Michael Lewis MD

The Licensing Committee reviewed the application materials of the candidates listed below and directed the Director to issue licenses to practice Allopathic-Osteopathic Medicine pending approval of the Full Board on June 10, 2009 and receipt of the license form and fee.

Name

Mini Mahata MD

Consuella Margineanu Albastrolu MD

Stephanie Mayer MD

Robert Markelewicz MD

Jeffrey Mazer MD

Kristina McAteer MD

Srilakshmi Mitta MD

Sarah Morchen MD

Thomas Murphy MD

Christopher Nasin MD

Samuel Poon MD

Matthew Rogalski MD

Rachel Siegel MD

Bruce Vanett MD

Gengsheng Yu MD

Michael Zavarin MD

The Committee reviewed the application materials of the

endorsement candidates listed below whose applications are outstanding the FCVS materials. The Licensing Committee directed the Director to issue licenses to practice Allopathic-Osteopathic Medicine to the physicians listed below pending approval of the Full Board on June 10, 2009 and receipt of the license form and fee. The physicians are required to provide the FCVS materials within 90 days of the issuance of their license.

Diana Caragacianu MD

Mariam Fayek MD

Michelle Forcier MD

Adrian Gardner MD

Jan Groblewski MD

Suriya Jeyapalan MD

Sarah Levy MD

Vincent Mukkada MD

Lester Silberman MD

Rebecca Vanasse MD

Reactivations/Reinstatement	Specialty	License Number
Wendy Witt MD	Emergency Medicine	MD12378

The Licensing Committee Pre-Reviewed the following physicians who have finished training and are pending FCVS:

Ravi Gupta MD

Anand Shah MD

The Licensing Committee Pre-Reviewed for physicians finishing training 6-30-2009.

None

New Academic Faculty applicant:

None

3. On a motion by Dr. Kessimian seconded by Dr. Iacobucci it was voted to approve the minutes of the Open Session of the 13 May 2009 meeting.

4. Chief Administrative Officer's Report:

A. Letters of Concern: The March 12, 2008 Full Board Memo to the Board by Mr. McIntyre regarding public availability of Letters of Concern was reintroduced for new Board Members. The memo states, "The intent of the law is to give the public access to the business of state agencies so that there can be appropriate oversight." In addition Mr. McIntyre notes, "There does not appear to be any legislative support for keeping Letters of Concern confidential as long as they do not contain any privileged patient specific health

care information.” “Board ‘findings’ are not otherwise public unless part of a public order.”

5. Old Business:

Jacqueline Jayne, MD, MPH - Licensure eligibility request: Dr. Jayne submitted a letter in support of her request from Edward A. Emmett, MD, MS, Director of the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center Academic Programs in Occupational Medicine, which states that after successful completion of an internship at UC Davis Sacramento Medical Center, a graduate MPH degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin, Dr. Jayne is considered to have fulfilled the requirements of PGY-1 and PGY-2 in Preventive Medicine (Occupational Medicine) and would be admitted into the PGY3 at their Institution.

After review the Board voted unanimously to require that Dr. Jayne complete 12 additional months of Clinical Resident Level Post-Graduate Instruction. Completing the PGY3 at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center would fulfill this requirement.

6. New Business: None presented

7. At 9:22 AM on a motion by Dr. Iacobucci seconded by Dr. Kessimian the Board adjourned to Executive Session pursuant to Sections 46-42-4 and 42-46-5 of the Rhode Island General Laws.